

# VADO

## VADO BLACK CHIC electric shower

### Installation and operating instructions

INSTALLERS PLEASE NOTE THESE INSTRUCTIONS  
ARE TO BE LEFT WITH THE USER



**Please read this book thoroughly and familiarise yourself with all  
instructions before commencing installation** and keep it for future reference.

The shower installation **MUST** be carried out by a suitably qualified person, **in the  
sequence of this instruction book**.



## INTRODUCTION - PLEASE READ



### PLEASE READ THIS IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Products manufactured by Vado are safe and without risk provided they are installed, used and maintained in good working order in accordance with our instructions and recommendations.

- ⚠ **WARNING:** DO NOT operate shower if frozen, or suspected of being frozen. It must thaw out before using.
- ⚠ **DO NOT** operate the unit if the showerhead or spray hose becomes damaged.
- ⚠ **DO NOT** restrict flow out of shower by placing showerhead in direct contact with your body.
- ⚠ **DO NOT** operate the shower if water ceases to flow during use or if water has entered inside the unit because of an incorrectly fitted cover.

This book contains all the necessary fitting and operating instructions for your electric shower.

Care taken during the installation will provide a long, trouble-free life from your shower.

### PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CHECK LIST TO AID YOUR INSTALLATION

Tick off as  
you complete

<b>SECTION 1</b>	Check that the water supply will satisfy requirements .....	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
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## IMPORTANT - GENERAL GUIDANCE NOTES



### 1 GENERAL

- 1.1** Isolate the electrical and water supplies before removing the cover.
- 1.2** Read all of these instructions and retain them for later use.
- 1.3** **DO NOT** take risks with plumbing or electrical equipment.
- 1.4** Isolate electrical and water supplies before proceeding with the installation.
- 1.5** The unit must be mounted onto the finished wall surface (on top of the tiles). **DO NOT** tile up to or seal around **ANY PART** of the unit using silicone sealer after fixing to the wall. Special care must be taken **NOT TO BLOCK OR SEAL ANY PRD VENTS ON THE UNIT.**
- 1.6** Contact Customer Service (see back page), if any of the following occur:
  - a)** *If it is intended to operate the shower at pressures above the maximum or below the minimum stated.*
  - b)** *If the unit shows a distinct change in performance.*
  - c)** *If the shower is frozen.*
- 1.7** If it is intended to operate the shower in areas of hard water (above 200 ppm temporary hardness), a scale inhibitor may have to be fitted. For advice on the Scale Inhibitor, contact Customer Service.
- 1.8** The showerhead must be cleaned regularly with descaler to remove scale and debris, otherwise restrictions to the flow on the outlet of the unit will result in higher temperatures and could also cause the (PRD) Pressure Relief Device in the unit to operate.
- 1.9** This product is not suitable for mounting into steam rooms or steam cubicles.

### 2 PLUMBING

- 2.1** The plumbing installation must comply with Water Regulations, Building Regulations or any particular regulations as specified by Local Water Company or Water Undertakers and should be in accordance with BS EN 806.
- 2.2** The supply pipe must be flushed to clear debris before connecting to the shower unit.

- 2.3** **DO NOT** solder pipes or fittings within 300mm of the shower unit, as heat can transfer along the pipework and damage components.
- 2.4** **DO NOT** fit any form of outlet flow control as the outlet acts as a vent for the heater can.
- 2.5** **DO NOT** use excessive force when making connections to the flexible hose or showerhead, finger tight is sufficient.
- 2.6** All plumbing connections must be completed before making the electrical connections.
- 2.7** This appliance **MUST** not be connected to the inlet supply by a hose-set.

### 3 ELECTRICAL

- 3.1** The installation must comply with BS 7671 'Requirements for electrical installations' (IEE wiring regulations), building regulations or any particular regulations as specified by the local Electrical Supply Company.
- 3.2** This appliance **MUST** be earthed.
- 3.3** In accordance with 'The Plugs and Sockets etc. (Safety) Regulations 1994', this appliance is intended to be permanently connected to the fixed wiring of the electrical mains system.
- 3.4** Make sure all electrical connections are tight to prevent overheating.
- 3.5** A 30mA residual current device (RCD) **MUST** be installed in all UK electric and pumped shower circuits. This may be part of the consumer unit or a separate unit.
- 3.6** Switch off immediately at isolating switch if water ceases to flow during use.
- 3.7** Other electrical equipment i.e. extractor fans, pumps must not be connected to the circuits within the unit.
- 3.8** Switch off at isolating switch when not in use. This is a safety procedure recommended with all electrical appliances.
- 3.9** As with all electrical appliances it is recommended to have the shower and installation checked at least every two years by a competent electrician to ensure there is no deterioration due to age and usage.

### ! WARNING !

This appliance can be used by children aged from 8 years and above and persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience or knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved. Children may not play with the appliance. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children without supervision.

## GENERAL ADVICE TO USERS

The following points will help you understand how the shower operates:

- a.** The electric heating elements operate at a constant rate at your chosen power setting. It is the rate of the water passing through the heater can which determines the water temperature. (The slower the flow, the hotter the water becomes; the faster the flow, the cooler the water).
- b.** During winter, the mains water supply will be cooler than in the summer. The flow rate will vary between seasons at any one temperature setting. At different times of the year you may have to adjust the position of the temperature control to maintain your desired temperature setting.
- c.** The stabiliser valve minimises variations in shower temperature during mains water pressure changes. If changes in shower temperature are experienced during normal use, it will most likely be caused by the water pressure falling near to or below the minimum level. The drop in pressure may be due to water being drawn off at other points in the house whilst the shower is in use. If pressure drops appreciably below the minimum, the heating elements will automatically cut out.

**NOTE:** *If ever the water becomes too hot and you cannot obtain cooler water, first check that the sprayplate in the showerhead has not become blocked.*

**DO NOT** place items such as soap or shampoo bottles on top of the unit. Liquid could seep through the joint between the cover and backplate.

## IMPORTANT ADVICE TO USERS

### ! COMISSIONING ADVICE

When first installed the unit will be empty. It is essential the unit should contain water before the elements are switched on. It is vital that the commissioning procedure is followed. Failure to carry out this operation will result in damage to the unit and will invalidate the guarantee.

### ADVISORY - CLEANING

It is recommended that all products are cleaned using warm, soapy water.

**DO NOT** use abrasive or aggressive chemical cleaning products as this may affect the product surface finish and invalidate your guarantee.

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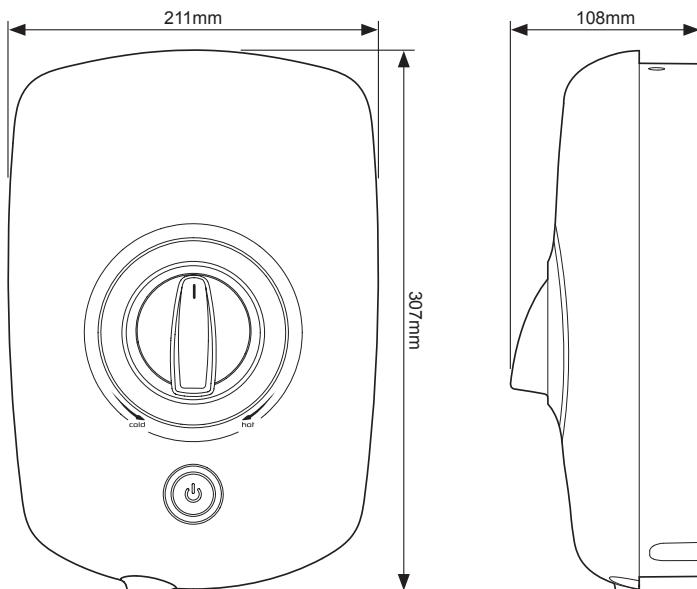
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To check the product suitability for commercial and multiple installations, please contact Vado's specification advisory service before installation.

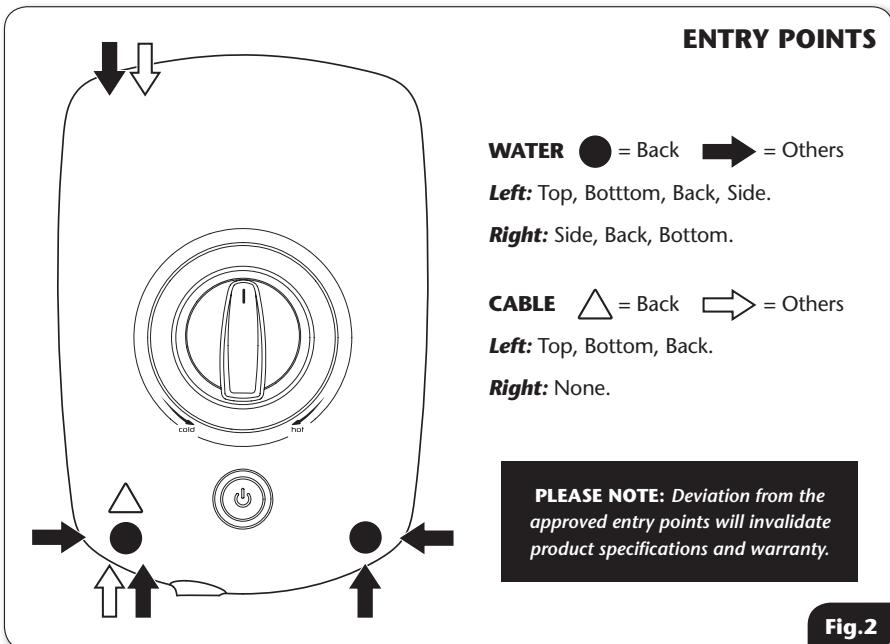
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<b>ELECTRICAL</b>	
Nominal power - rating at 240V	Nominal power - rating at 230V
<b>8.5kW</b> – (40A MCB rating)	7.9kW – (40A MCB rating)
<b>9.5kW</b> – (40A MCB rating)	8.7kW – (40A MCB rating)
<b>PLUMBING</b> (see page 6 & 7 for water regulations)	
Supply Source	Mains pressure cold water only
Minimum running pressure and flow to the inlet of the shower for full performance	100kPa (1.0 bar) @ 8 litres per minute.
Maximum static pressure	1000 kPa (10 bar)
Maximum inlet temperature	28°C
Minimum inlet temperature	2°C
Inlet connection	15mm diameter
Outlet connection	1/2" BSP male thread
<b>MATERIALS</b>	
ABS	Backplate, cover, controls, showerhead
Acetal	Sprayplate
Minerally insulated corrosion resistant metal sheathing	Elements
<b>STANDARDS and APPROVALS</b>	
Splashproof rating	IPX4
Safety	Complies with the requirements of current British and European safety standards for household and similar electrical appliances
BEAB	Complies with requirements of the British Electrotechnical Approvals Board (BEAB)
CE	Meets with Compliance with European Community Directives (CE)

Fig.1



## DIMENSIONS



## ENTRY POINTS

**WATER** = Back = Others

**Left:** Top, Bottom, Back, Side.

**Right:** Side, Back, Bottom.

**CABLE** = Back = Others

**Left:** Top, Bottom, Back.

**Right:** None.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Deviation from the approved entry points will invalidate product specifications and warranty.

Fig.2

## ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

**⚠ WARNING! ⚠**  
**THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTHD**

The installation, supply cable and circuit protection must conform with BS 7671 (IEE wiring regulations) and be sufficient for the amperage required.

**The following notes are for guidance only:**

- 1 The shower must only be connected to a 230–240V ac supply. If you are installing a shower with a kilowatt rating above 9kW, it is advisable to contact the local electricity supply company.
- 2.1 The electrical rating of the shower is shown on the rating label (Fig.3) within the unit.
- 2 Before making any sort of electrical connection within the installation make sure that no terminal is live. If in any doubt, switch off the whole installation at the mains supply and remove the correct fuse.
- 3 The shower must be connected to its own independent electrical circuit. **IT MUST NOT** be connected to a ring main, spur, socket outlet, lighting circuit or cooker circuit.
- 3.1 The electrical supply must be adequate for the loading of the unit and existing circuits.
- 4 Check your consumer unit (main fuse box) has a main switch rating of 80A or above and that it has a spare fuse way which will take the fuse or Miniature Circuit Breaker (MCB) necessary for the shower (Fig.4).
- 4.1 If your consumer unit has a rating below 80A or if there is no spare fuse way, then the installation will not be straightforward and may require a new consumer unit serving the house or just the shower.
- 4.2 You will need to contact the local electricity company. They will check the supply and carry out what is necessary.
- 5 For close circuit protection **DO NOT** use a rewirable fuse. Instead use a suitably rated Miniature Circuit Breaker (MCB) or cartridge fuse (see Table A).
- 5.1 A 30mA residual current device (RCD) **MUST** be installed in all UK electric and pumped shower circuits. This may be part of the consumer unit or a separate unit.

Fig.3

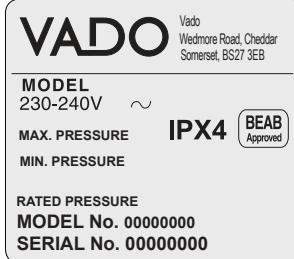


Fig.4 Schematic of installation circuit

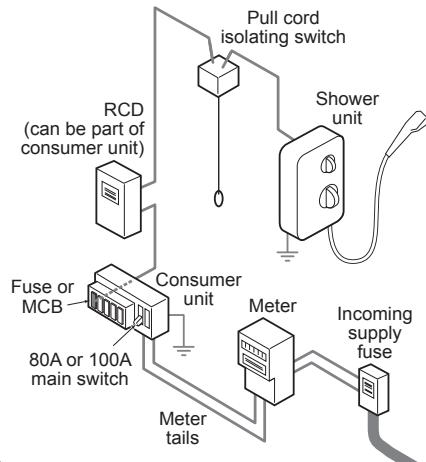


Table A

CIRCUIT PROTECTION		
unit rating	MCB	cartridge fuse
7.0kW	30/32A	30A
7.5kW	32A	35A
8.0kW	40A	35A
8.5kW	40A	45A
9.0kW	40A	45A
9.5kW	40/45A	45A
10.5kW	45A	45A

**6** A 45 amp double pole isolating switch with a minimum contact gap of 3 mm in both poles must be incorporated in the circuit.

**6.1** It must have a mechanical indicator showing when the switch is in the OFF position, and the wiring must be connected to the switch without the use of a plug or socket outlet.

**6.2** The switch must be accessible and clearly identifiable, but out of reach of a person using a fixed bath or shower, except for the cord of a cord operated switch, and should be placed so that it is not possible to touch the switch body while standing in a bath or shower cubicle. It should be readily accessible to switch off after using the shower.

**7** Where shower cubicles are located in any rooms other than bathrooms, all socket outlets in those rooms must be protected by a 30mA RCD.

**8** The current carrying capacity of the cable must be at least that of the shower circuit protection (see Table B).

**8.1** To obtain full advantage of the power provided by the shower, use the shortest cable route possible from the consumer unit to the shower.

**8.2** It is also necessary to satisfy the disconnection time and thermal constraints which means that for any given combination of current demand, voltage drop and cable size, there is a maximum permissible circuit length.

**9** The shower circuit should be separated from other circuits by at least twice the diameter of the cable or conduit.

**9.1** The current rating will be reduced if the cabling is bunched with others, surrounded by thermal loft or wall insulation or placed in areas where the ambient temperature is above 30°C. Under these conditions, derating factors apply and it is necessary to select a larger cable size.

**9.2** In the majority of installations, the cable will unavoidably be placed in one or more of the above conditions. This being so, it is strongly recommended to use a minimum of 10mm cabling throughout the shower installation.

**9.3** In any event, it is essential that individual site conditions are assessed by a competent electrician in order to determine the correct cable size and permissible circuit length.

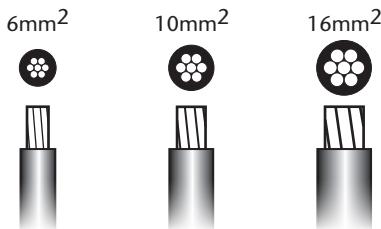
Table B

**Twin and earth PVC insulated cable**  
**Current carrying capacity**

Installed in an insulated wall	In conduit trunking	Clipped direct or buried in a non-insulated wall
6mm <sup>2</sup> 32A	6mm <sup>2</sup> 38A	6mm <sup>2</sup> 46A
10mm <sup>2</sup> 43A	10mm <sup>2</sup> 52A	10mm <sup>2</sup> 63A
16mm <sup>2</sup> 57A	16mm <sup>2</sup> 69A	16mm <sup>2</sup> 85A

**Note:** Cable selection is dependent on derating factors

**\*The method below may be used by installers to determine the approximate size of the incoming cable.**



1. Measure the width of an individual strand, and half that measurement to find  $(r)$ ,  
e.g:  $1.34mm \div 2 = (r) 0.67mm$
2. Multiply  $(r) \times (r) \times 3.14$ ,  
e.g:  $(r) 0.67 \times (r) 0.67 \times 3.14 = 1.41mm^2$
3. Multiply this by the number of wire strands (usually 7), e.g:  $1.41mm^2 \times 7 = 9.87mm^2$ .
4. The number obtained would suggest  $10mm^2$  wiring.

**\*PLEASE NOTE:** If unsure, consult a qualified Electrician.

## SITING OF THE SHOWER

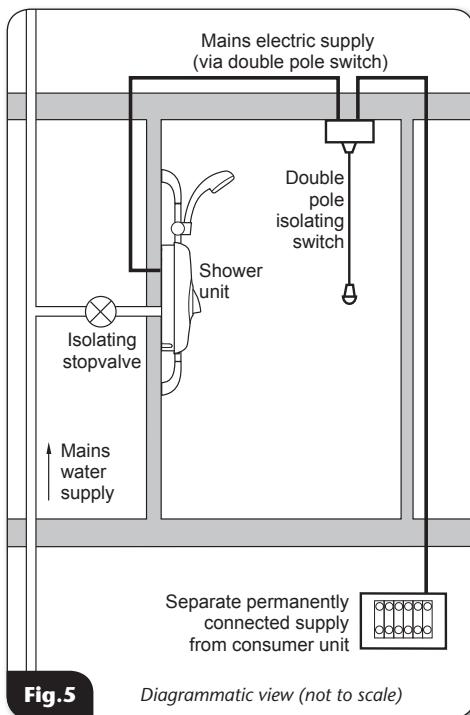
The installation must be in accordance with Water Regulations/Bylaws - **see page 2 for water specifications**

- If it is intended to operate the shower at pressures above the maximum or below the minimum stated, contact Customer Service for advice.
- If the stated flow rates are not available, it may not be possible to achieve optimum performance from the unit throughout the year.
- During periods of high ambient temperatures it may be necessary to operate the shower with the 'Mode Select Switch' in position '2', to achieve your preferred shower temperature.

**Fig.5** shows a typical system layout.

**NOTE:** *The control knob is an integral part of the cover. Do not attempt to remove it.*

- Lift the cover from the backplate.
- Refer to **(fig.6)** for the correct siting of the shower. Position the unit where it will **NOT** be in direct contact with water from the showerhead. Position the shower unit vertically.
- Allow enough room between the ceiling and the shower to access the cover top screws.
- Mark out entry points and routing of the water and electric supplies into the shower.



## IMPORTANT: Water regulations (fig.6)

- It is required that the showerhead be '*constrained by a fixed or sliding attachment so that it can only discharge water at a point not less than 25mm above the spill-over level of the relevant bath, shower tray or other fixed appliance*'.
- If the riser kit is supplied with a 'soapdish hose retainer' or bespoke 'hose retainer', it will in most cases meet this requirement. If the showerhead can still be placed within a bath, basin or shower tray within the 25mm limit, then a double check valve, or similar, **MUST be fitted in the supply pipework to prevent back-flow**.

## Pressure relief safety device

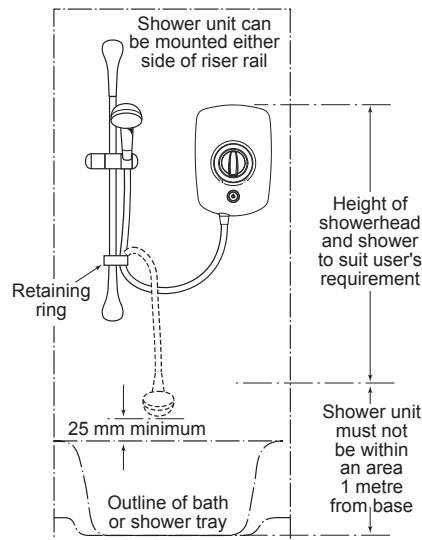
- A pressure relief device (PRD) is designed into the shower unit which complies with European standards. The PRD provides a level of appliance protection should an excessive build up of pressure occur within the shower.

**DO NOT** operate the shower with a damaged or kinked shower hose, or a blocked showerhead. This may cause the PRD to operate.

- When commissioning, the showerhead must be removed from the flexible hose. Failure to follow this procedure may cause the PRD to operate.
- Make sure the shower is positioned over a bath or shower tray. If the PRD operates, then water will eject from the bottom of the unit. Should this happen, turn off the electricity and water supplies to the shower at the isolating switch and stopvalve. Contact Customer Service for advice on replacing the PRD.

## ! WARNING

The shower **MUST NOT** be positioned where it will be subjected to freezing conditions.



**Fig.6** Diagrammatic view (not to scale)

**IMPORTANT:** The unit must be mounted onto the finished wall surface (on top of the tiles).

**DO NOT** tile up to or seal around any part of the unit using silicone sealer after fixing to the wall. Special care must be taken **not to block or seal any prd vents on the unit**.

**IMPORTANT:** The unit must be mounted on a flat surface which covers the full width and length of the backplate. It is important that the wall surface is flat otherwise difficulty may be encountered when fitting the cover and subsequent operation of the unit may be impaired.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The outlet of the shower acts as a vent and must not be connected to anything other than the hose and showerhead supplied.

Fig.7a

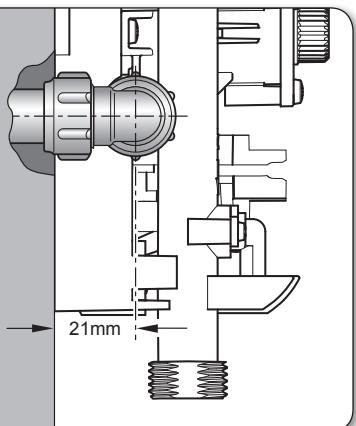
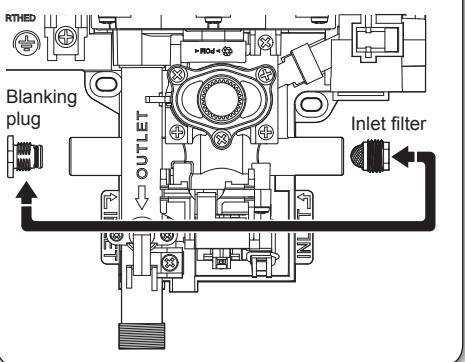


Fig.8

**PLUMBING INSTALLATION****Plumbing to be carried out before wiring**

- **DO NOT** use jointing compounds on any pipe fittings for the installation.
- **DO NOT** solder fittings near the shower unit as heat can transfer along the pipework and damage components.
- Compression fittings **MUST** be used to connect to the inlet of the shower (fig.7). (Push-on fittings must **NOT** be used as full engagement cannot be guaranteed).
- If installing a feed pipe from the back or bottom, the centre of the inlet valve to the wall surface is 21mm (fig.7).
- The water inlet pipe has both a blanking plug and an inlet filter (fig.8). If the blanking plug is in the incorrect side for your chosen installation, swap it with the inlet filter, making sure that the 'O' ring is in place. **DO NOT** over tighten.

**NOTE:** If entry is from the back, the nut of the compression fitting will be partially behind the surface of the wall. This area **MUST** be left clear when plastering and tiling around the pipework in order to make the nut accessible for future adjustments.

**NOTE:** An additional stopvalve (complying with Water Regulations) must be fitted in the mains water supply to the shower as an independent means of isolating the water supply should maintenance or servicing be necessary.

**IMPORTANT:** Before completing the connection of the water supply to the inlet of the shower, flush out the pipework to remove all swarf and system debris. This can be achieved by connecting a hose to the pipework and turning on the mains water supply long enough to clear the debris to waste.

## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

**IMPORTANT:** Switch off the electricity supply at the mains before proceeding.

- The supply cable **MUST** be secured either by routing through conduit, in trunking, or by embedding in the wall, in accordance with IEE regulations.

**NOTE:** Conduit entry can only be from rear.

## FIT TO THE WALL & CONNECT THE SHOWER SUPPLIES

Please see **page 3 (fig.2)** for specified inlet points.

- (**fig.9**) - Numbers **1**, **2** and **3** are removable water pipe entry trims. Number **4** and **5** are 'cut out' water pipe entry points.
- (**fig.9**) - Number **6** is the bottom 'cut out' electrical cable entry point. This should be used if water and electricity are entering at that point.
- (**fig.9**) - Number **7** is the top 'cut out' electrical entry point that should be used if both water and electricity are entering from the top.

**NOTE:** If top or bottom electrical entry is chosen with no water entry at that point, the pipe trim entry may be used. The removable trim should be cut to the shape of the incoming sheathing to minimise water ingress.

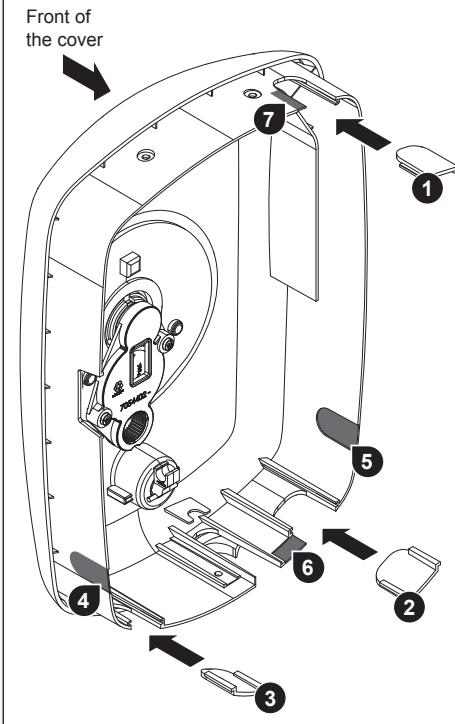
### Fitting Procedure

- Turn off water supply either at the mains stopvalve or the isolating stopvalve.
- Using the chosen 15mm x 15mm compression fitting without olives or nuts in place, present the shower with the compression fitting on the inlet to the incoming water supply. This is to establish the position of the backplate mounting holes.

**NOTE:** Deviations from the designated entry points will invalidate product approvals. The cable entry points are listed on **page 3**.

- Seal around rear entry cable to prevent water ingress into the wall.

**Fig.9**



**PLEASE NOTE:** **NONE** of the 'cut outs' are designed to 'snap out'. **ONLY** a junior hacksaw or suitable knife should be used. Excessive damage to the cover may invalidate product specifications and warranty.

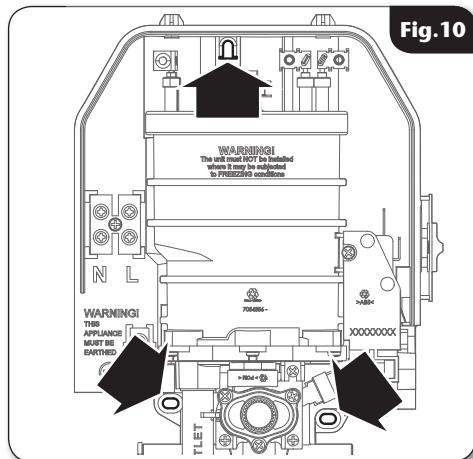


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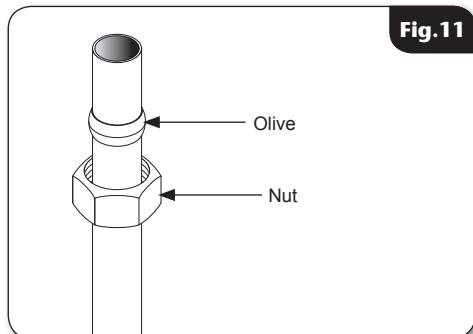


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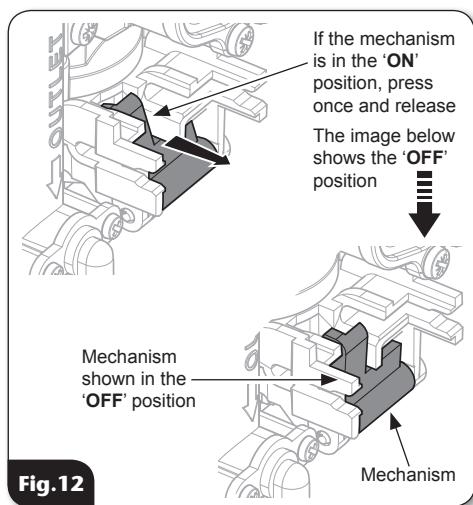


Fig.12

## ! WARNING

Check there are no hidden cables or pipes before drilling holes for wall plugs. Use great care when using power tools near water. The use of a residual current device (RCD) is recommended when using power tools.

- Use the backplate as the template making sure it is level and mark the fixing holes (fig.10).
- Remove the unit from the wall. Drill and plug the wall. (An appropriate drill bit should be used. If the wall is plasterboard or a soft building block, appropriate wall plugs should be fitted).
- Screw the top fixing screw into position leaving the base of the screw head protruding 6mm out from the wall.
- Hook the backplate over the top screw and fit the remaining fixing screws into position, but **DO NOT** fully tighten the screws at this stage. The fixing holes are elongated to allow for out of square adjustment after the plumbing connection has been completed.
- Fit the nut and olive onto the pipework (fig.11) and connect the mains water pipe fitting to the inlet of the shower.
- **DO NOT** use excessive force when making the connection.
- Make sure the backplate is square on the wall and tighten the retaining screws which hold it to the wall.
- Before turning on the mains water supply ensure that the **start/stop** mechanism is in the **off** position (fig.12).
- Turn on the mains water supply and check for leaks in the pipework connection to the shower.

**NOTE:** When the mechanism is in the 'OFF' position, no water can flow through the unit.

**IMPORTANT:** A suitable sealant should always be used to seal around the incoming pipework to prevent water entering the wall.

- Route the cable into the shower unit for connection to the terminal block (**fig.13**) as follows:

**Earth** cable to terminal marked 

**Neutral** cable to terminal marked **N**

**Live** cable to terminal marked **L**

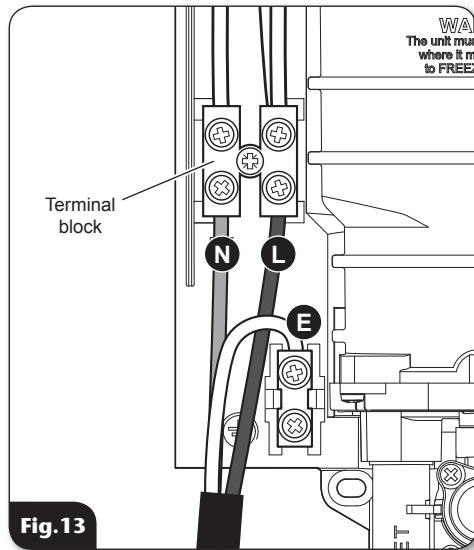
- (**fig.14**) shows a schematic wiring diagram.

**IMPORTANT:** When connecting the cable fully tighten the terminal block screws and make sure that no cable insulation is trapped under the screws. Loose connections can result in cable overheating.

**NOTE:** The supply cable earth conductor must be sleeved. The outer sheath of the supply cable must be stripped back to the minimum.

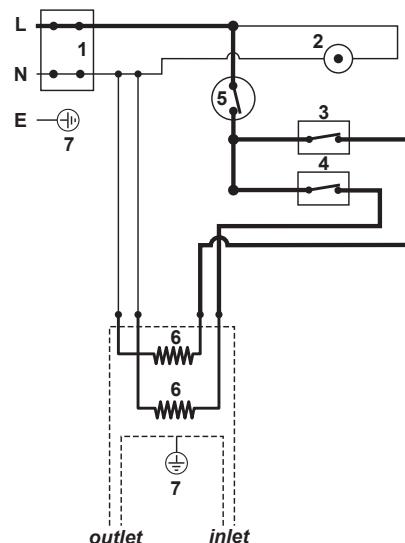
- The use of connections within the unit or other points in the shower circuit to supply power to other equipment i.e. extractor fans, pumps etc. will invalidate the guarantee.
- DO NOT** switch on the electricity supply until the shower cover has been fitted.

**NOTE:** The elements on UK models are to 240V specification and will give a lower kW rating if the voltage supply is below 240V.



**Fig.13**

Fig.14



**1.** Terminal block

**2.** Power neon

**3.** Back microswitch

**4.** Front microswitch

**5.** Thermal cut-out

**6.** Elements

**7.** Earth

Fig.15

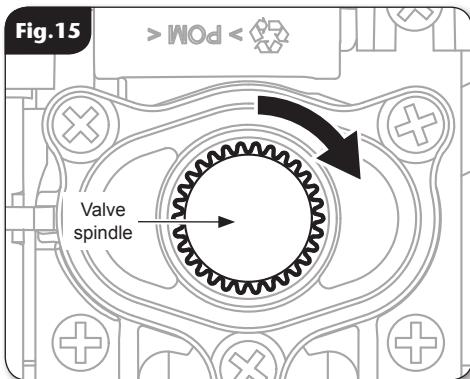


Fig.16

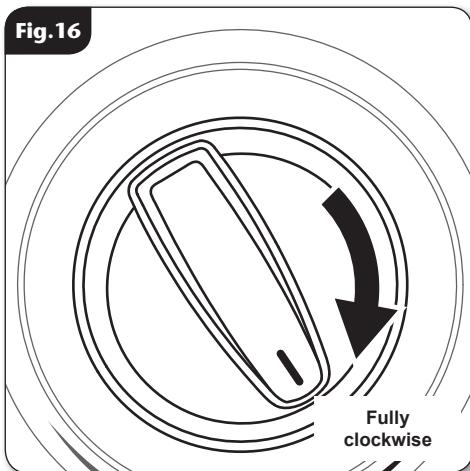
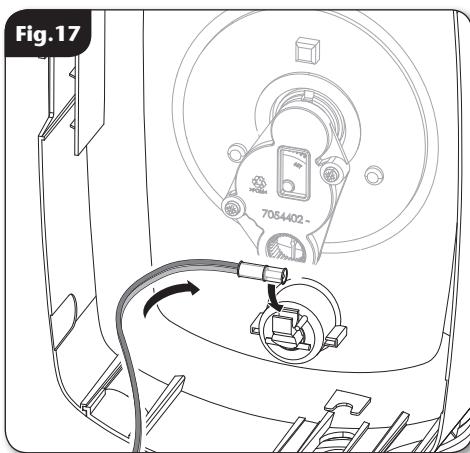


Fig.17



## FITTING THE COVER

### Fitting The Cover - valve & knob positions

- Turn the valve spindle **clockwise** until it stops (fig.15).
- Turn the temperature control on the cover fully **clockwise** until it stops (fig.16).
- Clip the neon into the back of the Start/Stop assembly on the inside of the cover. The wires should be routed and the neon installed as shown in (fig.17).
- Offer the cover to the unit.
- Carefully locate the cover making sure wires are not trapped.
- Guide the cover into position so that the control spindle locates correctly (minor adjustment may be necessary to align the control and spindle).
- Should any difficulty arise, recheck the points above.
- While applying slight pressure to the front cover, secure in position with the retaining screws.
- Fit the flexible hose to the shower outlet making sure the outlet of the hose is directed to waste. Check the supplied sealing washer is in place.
- DO NOT attach the showerhead at this stage.**
- Fit the Riser Rail and Kit** (see kit instructions).

### ⚠ WARNING ⚠

#### COVER RETAINING SCREWS

ONLY the **SUPPLIED SCREWS** should be used. The use of none supplied screws **WILL** invalidate product specifications & warranty.

**WARNING**

Before normal operation of the shower, it is essential the following commissioning procedure is completed correctly.

**COMMISSIONING PROCEDURE**

The first operation of the shower is intended to flush out any remaining unit debris, and to make sure the heater unit contains water before the elements are switched on.

This operation **MUST** be carried out **WITH** the flexible hose screwed to the outlet but **WITHOUT THE SHOWERHEAD ATTACHED**.

Make sure the outlet of the flexible hose is directed to waste.

**IMPORTANT:** *Failure to follow the instructions below **MAY** cause the PRD to operate.*

1. MAKE SURE THAT THE POWER SUPPLY TO THE SHOWER IS **SWITCHED OFF**.
2. Turn the temperature control on the cover fully **clockwise** until it stops (**fig.18**).
3. Turn on the mains water supply to the shower at the isolating stopvalve.
4. Press the **START/STOP** button (**fig.19**) and wait until water starts to flow from the flexible hose.
5. Slowly rotate the temperature control fully **anti-clockwise** until it stops (**fig.20**). It will take about thirty seconds for a smooth flow of water to be obtained while air and any debris is flushed from the shower.
- When a smooth flow of water is obtained, rotate the temperature control fully **clockwise** to **anti-clockwise** several times to release any trapped air within the unit.
- Once flushing out has been completed, stop the water flow by pressing the **START/STOP** button again.
- Fit the showerhead to the flexible hose and place in the showerhead holder.
- **Finally**, turn the electricity supply to the shower on.

The shower is now ready for normal operation.

**IMPORTANT**

The electricity supply to the shower **MUST** be **SWITCHED OFF** during the commissioning procedure. The shower has a mechanical shut off valve, as opposed to a solenoid based electronic one. **Supplying power during commissioning will damage the can.**

Fig.18

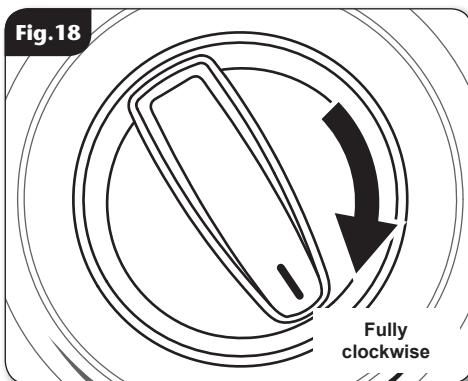
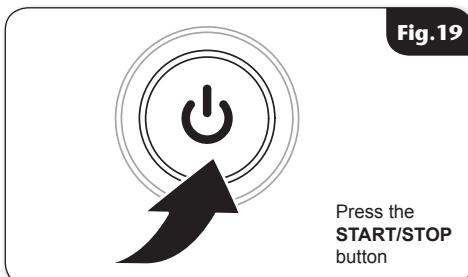


Fig.19



Press the  
**START/STOP**  
button

Fig.20

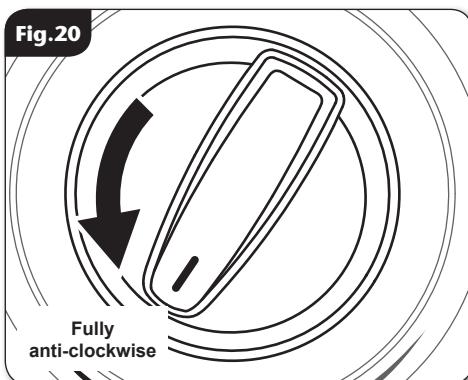
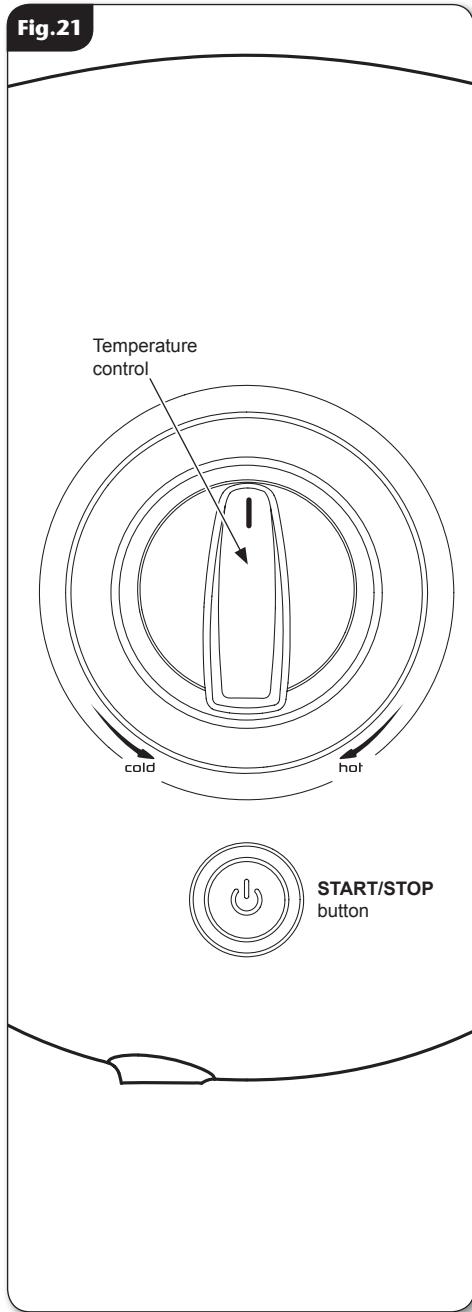


Fig.21



## OPERATING THE SHOWER

**IMPORTANT:** The Start/Stop button uses a valve latching mechanism (see fig.12). Some resistance will be felt when operating it. The button should be **pressed firmly** to operate the mechanism.

### To start the shower (fig.21)

Press the **START/STOP** button and water will flow.

### To stop the shower (fig.21)

Press the **START/STOP** button again and water will cease to flow.

#### ⚠ WARNING

If restarting immediately after stopping, be aware that a slug of hot water will be expelled for the first few seconds.

## To adjust the shower temperature

Alter the water temperature by increasing or decreasing the flow rate of the water through the shower via the temperature control (fig.21).

After obtaining your preferred showering temperature, the position can be remembered and left as the normal setting and should only need to be altered to compensate for seasonal changes in ambient water temperature.

**NOTE:** The 'Mode Select Switch' is factory set on position '1'. If the showering temperature can not be made cold enough on this setting, it may be necessary to operate the unit with the 'Mode Select Switch' in position '2'. This may need to be done during warmer months due to a higher ambient temperature of the incoming cold water supply, or due to flow rate limitations entering the unit (fig.22).

## To decrease the shower temperature

Turn the temperature control **anti-clockwise** (fig.23) - this will increase the flow of water through the shower making it cooler.

## To increase the shower temperature

Turn the temperature control **clockwise** (fig.23) - this will decrease the flow of water through the shower making it warmer.

**NOTE:** It is advisable to be certain that the showering temperature is satisfactory by testing with your hand before stepping under the showerhead. There will always be a time delay of a few seconds between selecting a flow rate and the water reaching the stable temperature for that flow rate.

**CAUTION:** It is recommended that persons who may have difficulty understanding or operating the shower controls should not be left unattended while showering. Special consideration should be given to young children and the less able bodied.

Fig.22

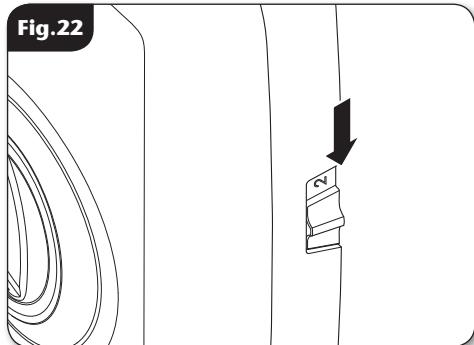


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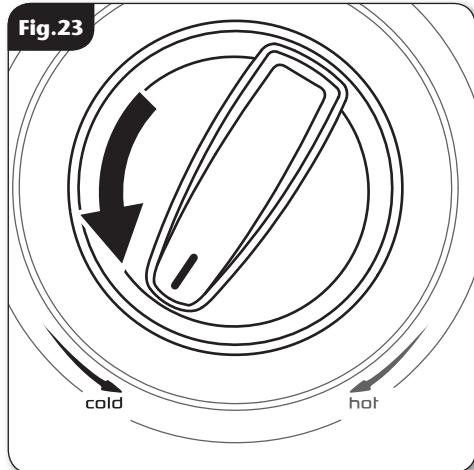


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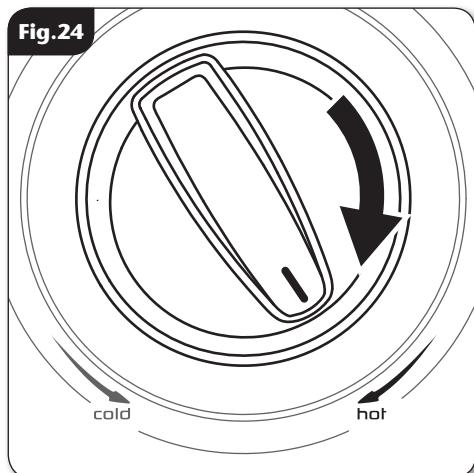
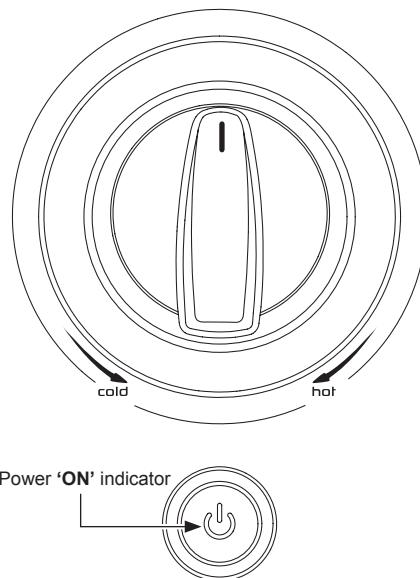


Fig.25



## OPERATING FUNCTIONS

### **Power on indicator (fig.25)**

When the electricity supply to the shower is switched on at the isolating switch, the power 'ON' indicator will light.

### **Low water pressure cut-out**

If the water pressure falls below the minimum required for correct operation of the unit, power will be switched off to the heating elements preventing any maintained temperature rises (water will continue to flow).

Power will automatically be restored when adequate water pressure returns.

### **TP – Temperature Protection**

During normal operation if the temperature exceeds the showering safety limit the power to the elements will be removed completely, although water will continue to flow. When the temperature has cooled sufficiently, power to the elements will be automatically restored to the settings at the time of interruption.

### **Safety cut-out**

The unit is fitted with a non-resettable thermal cut-out safety device. In the event of abnormal operation which could cause unsafe temperatures within the unit, the device will disconnect the heating elements. It will require a visit from a qualified engineer to determine the nature of the fault and replace the safety device, once the unit has been repaired.

**NOTE:** *In normal use, it is in order to leave the water supply permanently on to the shower unit, but as with most electrical appliances, the unit **MUST** be switched off at the isolating switch when not in use.*

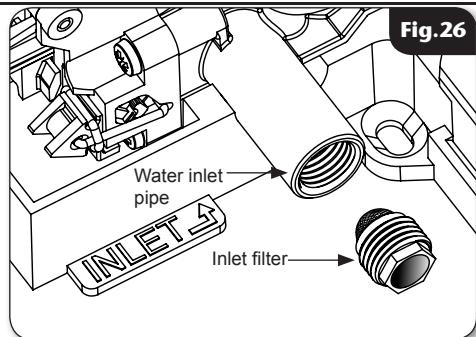
### Instructions for installers and service engineers only

#### CLEANING THE INLET FILTER

It is recommended that the filter is periodically cleaned in order to maintain the performance of the shower. It is essential that this operation is carried out by a competent person.

**IMPORTANT:** *Before servicing, switch off the electricity supply at the mains.*

- Switch off the water supply at the Isolator valve.
- Remove the cover. The inlet filter is situated in the water inlet pipe (**fig.26**).
- To access the filter, disconnect and remove the compression fitting from the shower water inlet.
- Remove the filter from the inlet water pipe.
- When cleaning the filter, **DO NOT** use a sharp object, as it will cause damage. It is preferable to use an old toothbrush or similar.



## FAULT FINDING/TROUBLESHOOTING

**Important:** Switch off the electricity at the mains supply and remove the circuit fuse before attempting any fault finding inside the unit.

Problem/Symptom	Cause	Action/Cure
1 Shower inoperable, no water flow.	1.1 Cover incorrectly fitted/out of alignment.	1.1.1 Check cover and remove and refit if not aligned/seated correctly.
	1.2 No mains water supply to shower.	1.2.1 Check if isolating valves are fully open. Check for a blockage in inlet filter or in pipework.
	1.3 Unit malfunction.	1.3.1 Have unit checked. Ring Customer Service.
2 Water too hot.	2.1 Not enough water flowing through the shower.	2.1.1 Increase flow rate via temperature control.
	2.2 Blockage in supply.	2.2.1 Check if stop valves are fully open. Check if a blockage in the inlet filter.
	2.3 Increase in ambient water temperature.	2.3.1 Readjust flow rate to give increased flow.
		2.3.2 Set the 'Mode Select Switch' to number 2.
3 Water temperature cycling hot/cool at intervals.	3.1 Heater cycling on thermal cut-out.	3.1.1 See 'Water too hot' causes 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 and their appropriate action/cures. If it continues, contact Customer Service.
4 Water too cool or cold.	4.1 Too much flow.	4.1.1 Reduce flow rate via temperature control.
	4.2 Water pressure below minimum required (see rating label).	4.2.1 Is water supply mains or tank fed?
		4.2.2 If tank fed, replumb to mains water supply or see 4.2.4.
		4.2.3 If mains fed, make sure that mains stopvalve is fully open and that there are no other restrictions in the supply while shower is in use, or see 4.2.4.
		4.2.4 Fit pump to give minimum pressure (see rating label). Contact Customer Service for advice.

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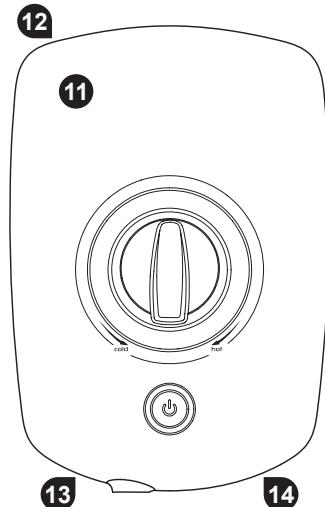
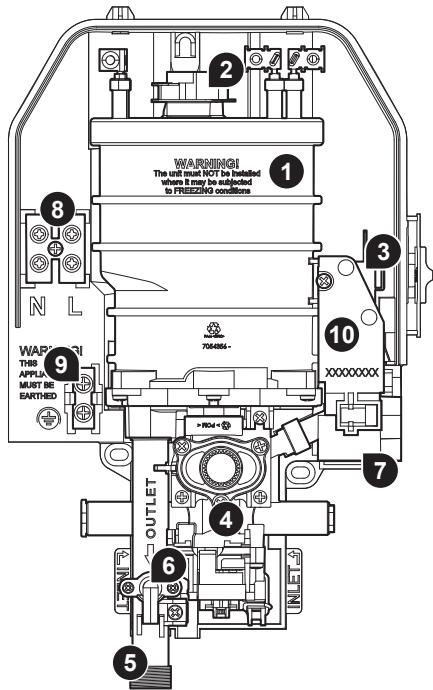
Problem/Symptom	Cause	Action/Cure
<b>4</b> Water too cool or cold - <i>continued</i>	<b>4.3</b> Reduction in ambient water temperature.	<b>4.3.1</b> Readjust flow rate to give reduced flow.  <b>4.3.2</b> Set the 'Mode Select Switch' to number 1.
	<b>4.4</b> Electrical malfunction or safety cut-out operated.	<b>4.4.1</b> Have unit checked by suitably qualified electrician or contact Customer Service.
<b>5</b> Shower varies from normal temperature to cold during use.	<b>5.1</b> Water pressure has dropped below minimum required.	<b>5.1.1</b> Wait until the water pressure resumes to normal.
<b>6</b> Pressure relief device has operated (water ejected from PRD tube).	<b>6.1</b> Blocked showerhead.	<b>6.1.1</b> Clean or replace blocked sprayplate in showerhead and then fit new PRD.
	<b>6.2</b> Twisted/blocked flexible shower hose.	<b>6.2.1</b> Check for free passage through hose. Replace the hose if necessary and fit new PRD.
	<b>6.3</b> Showerhead not removed while commissioning.	<b>6.3.1</b> Fit new PRD. Commission unit with showerhead removed.
	<b>6.4</b> Water pressure above specified maximum for unit ( <i>see rating label</i> ).	<b>6.3.1</b> Fit pressure reducing valve to inlet and then fit new PRD.
<b>7</b> Shower fails to shut off flow when Start/Stop button is pressed.	<b>7.1</b> Faulty shut off valve.	<b>7.1.1</b> Replace combined valve assembly.
	<b>7.2</b> Debris in the shut off valve.	<b>7.2.1</b> Replace combined valve assembly.
	<b>7.3</b> Unit malfunction.	<b>7.3.1</b> Have unit checked. Ring Customer Service.

**NOTE:** Identify cause of operation before fitting new PRD unit.

When fitting a new PRD, follow the commissioning procedure.

**It is advised all electrical maintenance/repairs to the shower should be carried out by a suitably qualified person.**

**In the unlikely event of a fault occurring please contact VADO Customer Service.  
DO NOT remove the shower from the installation.**



Ref.	Description	Part No.
1.	Can Assembly - 8.5kW ..... Can Assembly - 9.5kW .....	P86200024 P86200023
2.	Thermal cut-out - TCO .....	22012860
3.	Microswitch & wire set .....	83315210
4.	Valve assemblies combined .....	83315190
5.	Outlet pipe & PRD .....	83315200
6.	Pressure relief device (PRD) .....	82800450
7.	Pressure switch assembly.....	P86300000
8.	Terminal block & wires.....	83315220
9.	Terminal block (earth) .....	83315230 & wires
10.	Pressure switch bracket .....	7054414
11.	Cover assembly .....	P80000033
12.	Top pipe trim - Black .....	7054516
13.	Bottom LH pipe trim - Black .....	7054517
14.	Bottom RH pipe trim - Black.....	7054518
-	Power neon .....	P22610903
-	Inlet Filter .....	7054528

**NOTE:** Wiring is not shown for reasons of clarity.





## **WEEE Directive – Policy Statement**

As a producer and a supplier of electric showers, Vado is committed to the protection of the environment via our own environmental policy and the compliance with the **WEEE directive**.

Vado is fully registered with the Environment Agency under the following schemes:

Repic: Producers take-back scheme (PTS), registration number WEE/EJ3466QV

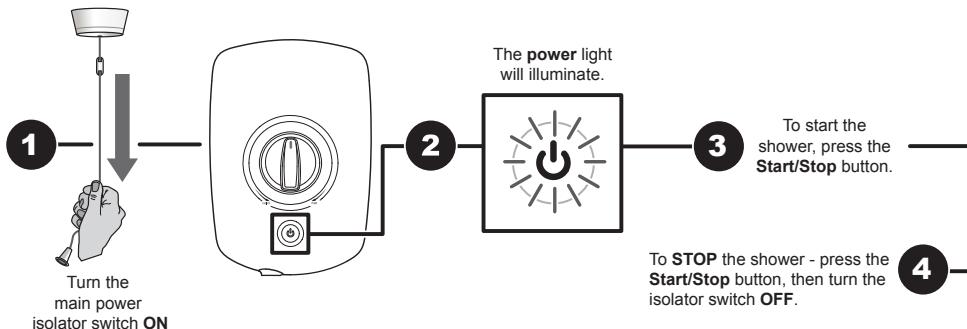
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All our electric products are labelled accordingly with the crossed out wheeled bin symbol. This indicates, for disposal purposes at end of life, that these products must be taken to a recognised collection points, such as local authority sites/local recycling centres; this will be free of any charges. **Do not return to Vado.**

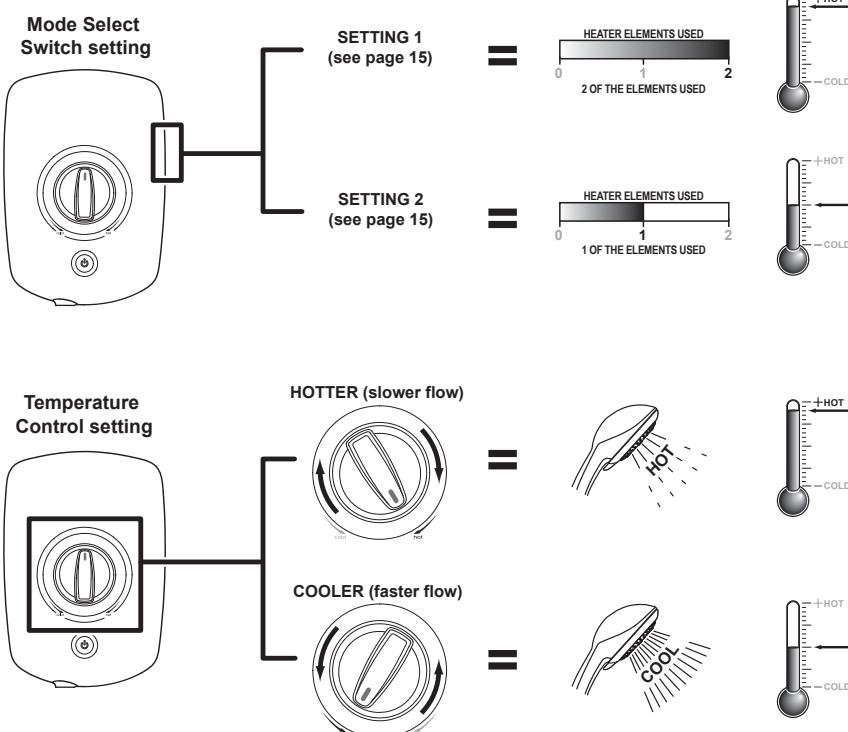


## SHOWER CONTROLS - QUICK USER GUIDE

### To START or STOP your shower.



### To alter the FLOW and TEMPERATURE of your shower.



## UK SERVICE POLICY

In the event of a product fault or complaint occurring, the following procedure should be followed:

1. Telephone Customer Service on **0844 980 0748** having available, your details including post code, the model number and power rating of the product, together with the date of purchase and, where applicable, details of the particular fault.
2. If required, the Customer Service Advisor will arrange for a qualified engineer to call.
3. All products attended to by a Vado service engineer must be installed in full accordance with the Vado installation guide applicable to the product. (Every product pack contains an installation guide, however, they can also be bought via our Customer Service Spares Department).
4. Our engineer will require local parking and if a permit is required this must be available to the engineer on arrival at the call.
5. It is essential that you or an appointed representative (who must be over 18 years of age) is present for the duration of the service engineer's visit. If the product is in guarantee you must produce proof of purchase.
6. Where a call under the terms of guarantee has been booked and the failure is not product related (i.e. scaling and furring, incorrect water pressure, pressure relief device operation or electrical/plumbing installation fault) a charge will be made. A charge will also be issued if nobody is at home when the service engineer calls or adequate parking/permit is not available.
7. If the product is no longer covered by the guarantee an up front fixed fee will be charged before the site visit.
8. Should proof of purchase not be available on an "in-guarantee" call, or should the service engineer find that the product is no longer under guarantee, the engineer will charge the same fixed price and the customer will be expected to pay the engineer before he leaves. If payment is not made on the day an administration charge will be added to the fixed charge.
9. If a debt is outstanding from a previous visit, or from any other Vado purchase, Vado reserves the right to withhold service until the debt has been settled.
10. Vado takes the health, safety and wellbeing of its employees very seriously and expects customers to treat all staff members with respect. Should any employee feel threatened or receive abuse, either verbally or physically, Vado reserves the right to withhold service and will support the employee with a legal prosecution.

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Spare parts are available via our website, [www.vado-uk.com](http://www.vado-uk.com), or by telephoning Vado Customer Service Spares Department. Payment should be made by credit/debit card (excluding American Express or Diners Card). Payment can also be made by pre-payment of a pro forma invoice by cheque or money order.

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**Before contacting Vado, please verify your requirements using the information contained in the supplied user guide. Vado cannot accept liability for incorrect part identification.**

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With the exception of accessories, Vado guarantee the product against all manufacturing defects for a period of **2 years** for domestic use only, from the date of purchase, provided that it has been installed by a competent person in full accordance with the fitting instructions.

All accessories such as shower heads, hoses and riser rails carry a **1 year** parts only guarantee against manufacturing defects.

Any part found to be defective during this guarantee period we undertake to repair or replace at our option without charge so long as it has been properly maintained and operated in accordance with the operating instructions, and has not been subject to misuse or damage. This product must not be taken apart, modified or repaired except by a person authorised by Vado. This guarantee applies only to products installed within the United Kingdom and does not apply to products used commercially. This guarantee does not affect your statutory rights.

### What is not covered:

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2. Claims for missing parts once the product has been installed.
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5. Compensation for loss of use of the product or consequential loss of any kind.
6. Call out charges where no fault has been found with the appliance.
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